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SUBJECT: SUPPLEMENTAL PAYMENT FOR ICCS

FOLLOWING IS A LETTERDATED APRIL 25 1973 FROM THE CHAIRMAN
OF THE ICCS CONVEYING A REQUEST TO THE FOUR PARTIES FOR
" INTERIM SUPPORT FUNDING". WE RECOMMENT THAT USG GIVE FAVORABLE
CONSIDERATION TO THE REQUEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

BEGIN TEXT:

1. I AM AUTHORIZED AS CHAIRMAN OF THE ICCS TO
SUBMIT TO THE FOUR PARTIES THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE
ICCS AND SOME SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR YOUR SPEEDY APPROVAL. I HAVE
TO REPORT THAT THE FINANCIAL STATUS OF THE ICCS IS A MATTER OF
SOME CONCERN TO MY COLLEAGUES ON THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION
AND TO MYSELF. THE INITIAL PAYMENTS AMOUNTING TO APPROXIMATELY
US\$ 3.9 MILLION HAVE BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE FOUR PARTIES OF THE
PARIS AGREEMENT AND THE FOLLOWING EXPENDITURES HAVE BEEN INCURRED.
OR FUNDS HAVE BEEN ENCUMBERED BY THE ICCS TO 31 MARCH 1973.

ICCS RECORD OF ACCOUNTS US\$

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CREDIT DEBIT BALANCE

TOTAL RECEIPTS (FF4,500,00

FROM EACH OF FOUR CONTRIBUTING

PARTIES) 3,942,830

PERSONNEL MAINTENANCE	744,421
- ENCUMBERED	454,000
FACILITIES (INCLUDING ACCOMMO-	
DATION/ MESSES)	110,728
COMMUNICATIONS - ENCUMBERED	224,261
- EXPENDED	2,760
AIR SERVICES - ENCUMBERED	1,500,000
LOCALLY ENGAGED STAFF	26,017
EQUIPMENT (CAR RENTAL, PHOTOCOPY ETC)	8,167
PA& E SUPPORT (ENCUMBERED)	195,989
MOBILIZATION COSTS OF MEMBERS	
DELEGATIONS (ESTIMATED	3,000,000
	676,578

3,942,830	6,266,252 (1,646,844)

IT WILL BE SEEN FROM THE ABOVE THAT COSTS INCURRED BY THE ICCS TO 31 MARCH 1973, EXCEED INCOME BY SOME \$1,646,844, AND THIS ADV- ERSE SITUATION IS COMPOUNDING.

2. THE COMMISSION IS AWARE THAT UNDER THE TERMS OF ARTICLE 14 (D) OF THE PROTOCOL TO THE AGREEMENT CONCERNING THE ICCS THAT PROPOSED ICCS BUDGETS ARE TO BE TRANSMITTED TO ALL PARTIES SIGNATORY TO THE AGREEMENT FOR THEIR APPROVAL. IN THIS REGARD FOR REASONS OUTLINED IN THE FOLLOWING PARAGRAPHS SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSED ICCS BUDGET FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION WILL BE DELAYED.

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3. A REALISTIC BUDGETARY FORECAST CANNOT BE PRODUCED BECAUSE MUCH OF THE COST DATA IS NOT AVAILABLE AT THIS TIME. APPROX 18 ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN IDENTIFIED PERTAINING TO THE PROVISION OF MATERIAL AND SERVICES REQUIRED BY THE ICCS. CONTRACTS HAVE BEEN AWARDED COVERING THE PROVISION OF AIR AND COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES, AND TWO OTHERS ARE PENDING. THE BALANCE OF CONTRACTS REQUIRED, SOME 12 OR 13 ARE STILL OUTSTANDING, AND UNTIL PROPOSALS ARE SUBMITTED BY INTERESTED BIDDERS, REALISTIC COST ASSEMENTS CANNOT BE MADE. ANOTHER MAJOR ACTIVITY WHICH WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT IMPACT ON THE BUDGETARY FORECAST, IS THE PROVISION OF ADEQUATE GROUND TRANSPORTATION. THE UNSATISFACTORY CONDITION OF THE COMMISSION' S VEHICLE FLEET IS A MATTER OF SOME CONCERN; A CONSIDERABLE QUW5856 9* 430)-:3.3,5 ;3#8:)3 28)) ?3 4317843\$ EITHER ON A PURCHASE OR LEASE BASIS BUT COST DATA IN RESPECT OF CAPTIAL ACQUISITION OR LEASING WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR SOME

WEEKS.

4. BECAUSE OF THE FOREGOING THE COMMISSION IS PROPOSING TO FORWARD FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION HOPEFULLY WITHIN THE NEXT THREE OR FOUR WEEKS AN INTERIM BUDGET COVERING EXPENDITURES MADE TO 31 MARCH 1973 NOT TOGETHER WITH A PROVISIONAL BUDGETARY FORECAST FOR THE PERIOD 1 APRIL 1973 31 MARCH 1974. A MAIN BUDGET SUBMISSION WILL FOLLOW AS SOON AS MEANINGFUL COST DATA BECOMES AVAILABLE.

5. AS AN INTERIM MEASURE TO SAFEGUARD THE CREDIBILITY AND TO GUARANTEE THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE ICCS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMISSION FOR CONTROL AND SUPERVISION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTS THAT THE FOUR PARTIES OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT AS A MATTER OF URGENCY PROVIDE THE COMMISSION WITH AN INTERIM SUPPORT FUNDING EQUIVALENT TO THE INITIAL SUM OF FOUR MILLION FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND FRENCH FRANCS PROVIDED BY EACH PARTY. THESE INTERIM CONTRIBUTIONS WOULD OF COURSE BE OFFSET AGAINST THE FOUR PARTIES SHARES OF THE INTERIM BUDGET ONCE IT IS APPROVED. END TEXT.
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